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TO : MEMO FOR THE RECORD   DATE: 24 July 1951

FROM : General Counsel

SUBJECT: Items for the Daily Log - 24 July 1951

    * 1. Presented to Mr. Fisher, General Counsel to the Comptroller General, the problem of using retired officers as consultants to the National Estimates Board on an intermittent basis without withholding their retired pay. Mr. Fisher said he hoped to be able to give us his answer by 25 July. He stated that if possible he would give us approval without a formal ruling, but if formal submission were required, it would be on a confidential basis.

    * 2. Also discussed with Mr. Fisher the security problem arising in the reporting required by Bureau of the Budget Circulars to Treasury on Working Fund expenditures and balances. He referred us to Mr. Brown of the Accounting Systems Division. Mr. Brown brought in Mr. Mason, Mr. Knowland and Mr. Cannon of his office to discuss the problem and it was agreed that we should have a conference with Mr. H. R. Gearhart of Treasury. Mr. Knowland, Mr. Cannon, Mr. Mason and a representative of the Bureau of the Budget are to work out improved reporting systems and fiscal procedures with an idea of simplification and improving protection of security. Tentatively, the meeting is set for 6 August.

    3. At the request of Mr. Graham Morison, Assistant Attorney General, interviewed, with Colonel Hansen, [   ] who had received an **25X1** expression of interest from the Agency. Colonel Hansen checked with Personnel and arranged for an interview with [   ] in the "L" **25X1** Building and further interviews with [   ] **25X1**

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    5. [   ] reported a rumor that a subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate was going to investigate VOA and RFE. Upon investigation, Mr. Pforzheimer found there was basis for this rumor and I asked Mr. Thompson to discuss a plan to handle the situation with Mr. Pforzheimer and Colonel Hansen.
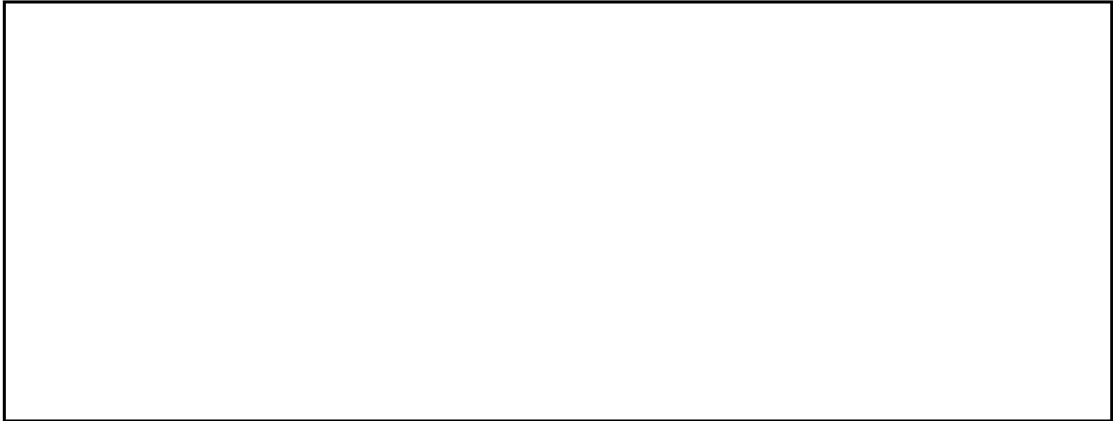
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* copies made of these two items and sent to the Comptroller and
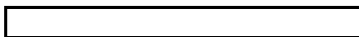to [   ] (for information for Mr. Wolf)

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    8. Discussed with General Davison,   25X1
personnel problems of the Office of General Counsel and general
relations of the functions of that office to Personnel.

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